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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Shigeki WATANABE

Serial No. 09/386,847

Group Art Unit: 2877

Confirmation No. 1867

Filed: August 31, 1999

Examiner: Michael P. Mooney

For: DEVICE AND SYSTEM FOR PHASE CONJUGATE CONVERSION AND
WAVELENGTH CONVERSION

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed November 18, 2002, and having a period for response set to expire on February 18, 2003. A Petition for a one-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to March 18, 2003.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please AMEND claims 14 and 34 and ADD new claims 35-40 in accordance with the following:

1. (Original) A device comprising:

an optical circulator having first, second, and third ports, said first port being supplied with signal light including first and second polarization components respectively having first and second polarization planes orthogonal to each other, and with pump light;

a polarization beam splitter having fourth, fifth, and sixth ports, said fourth port being optically connected to said second port, said fourth and fifth

ports being coupled by said first polarization plane, said fourth and sixth ports being coupled by said second polarization plane; and

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